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SUBJECT: FRG-POLISH RELATIONS: AUSCHWITZ CEREMONY

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1. SUMMAR. THE MAIN SPEAKER AT THE RALLY OF 80,000 AT AUSCHWITZ ON APRIL 27 TURNED OUT TO BE COUNCIL OF STATE CHAIRMAN JABLONSKI. WE HAVE A REPORT THAT THE DATE WAS SWITCHED FROM MAY 9 AND THAT GIEREK CANCELLED HIS OWN PLANS TO GIVE THE KEY ADDRESS AS A REFLECTION OF THE RECENTLY IMPROVED TONE OF FRG-POLISH RELATIONS.

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JABLONSKI ISSUED A MODERATE BUT FIRMLY STATED APPEAL TO THE FRG

TO COME TO TERMS WITH ITS PAST AND, PARTICULARLY, TO GRANT COMPENSATION TO POLISH VICTIMS OF NAZISM IN THE INTERESTS OF PEACE AND THE "MORAL HEALTH" OF THIS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. THE APRIL 27 CEREMONY AT AUSCHWITZ (OSWIECIM), KEYED OSTENSIBLY TO THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION OF ALL NAZI CAMPS AND THE APPROACHING ANNIVERSARY OF VE-DAY, WAS ATTENDED BY 80,000 PEOPLE. PRESENT WERE FORMER CAMP INMATES, VETERANS AND RESISTANCE GROUP REPRESENTATIVES, AND PARTY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. SOVIET GENERAL VASILIIY PETRENKO, LEADER OF THE SOVIET ARMY UNIT THAT LIBERATED AUSCHWITZ, TOPPED THE LIST OF FOREIGN GU CR\$IEACD60 D/#;@ |AQ7T,AUH#  
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